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1. UK MEMBERS PRESENTED WORKING PAPER 273 ON SYSTEM COMPARISON PERFORMANCE. CHAIRMAN PRESSED FOR VOTE ON BASIS OF PARA IN PAPER WHICH STATES DMLS ACCURACY BETTER THAN TRSB. IATA PANEL MEMBER INDICATED HE WAS NOT PREPARED TO VOTE ON SUCH A CRUCIAL ITEM WITHOUT ADDITIONAL DATA AND FULL DISCUSSION. AFTER FORMAL OBJECTION TO CHAIR'S PROCEDURE IN RUSHING MATTER TO VOTE AUSTRALIA WAS FINALLY GIVEN FIVE MINUTES TO EXPLAIN HIS VIEWS. VOTE WAS 4 TO 2 TO NOT ACCEPT UK ACCURACY STATEMENT. US PANEL MEMBER STATED FOR RECORD THAT HE WAS VOTING UNDER DURESS.

2. MTG THEN TOOK UP SUBJECT OF SIGNAL ACQUISITION AND VALIDATION. DMLS WAS SHOWN TO HAVE LONGER REACQUISITION TIME THAN TRSB. IFALPA AND IATA MEMBERS WERE CONCERNED WITH REACQUISITION TIME NEAR THRESHOLD. LENGTHY DISCUSSION FOLLOWED, CULMINATING IN VOTE TO INCLUDE STATEMENT IN REPORT INDICATING THAT BECAUSE OF SLIGHTLY GREATER DMLS AZIMUTH COVERAGE, EARLIER ACQUISITION AND VALIDATION CAN BE ACHIEVED THAN WITH TRSB. VOTE WAS 4 AGAINST 6 IN FAVOR. US, AUSTRALIA, USSR, AND IATA PANEL MEMBERS VOTED AGAINST. AUSTRALIA MEMBER INTRODUCED DISCUSSION PAPER WHICH SHOWED THAT DMLS SIGNAL ACQUISITION NOT NEARLY AS GOOD AS TRSB. UNCLASSIFIED

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FINALLY NEGATIVE VOTE WAS COUNTERED BY CHAIR AGREEING THAT CONTENTS OF DISCUSSION PAPER WOULD BE INTRODUCED IN PANELS REPORT.

PANEL APPEARS TO BE CONVINCED THAT TRSB DOES HAVE BETTER

SIGNAL REACQUISITION CHARACTERISTICS ALTHOUGH CONFIRMATION OF OPERATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE IS STILL BEING SOUGHT. ON ADJACENT CHANNEL INTERFERENCE DMLS ADVOCATES SUGGESTED WG-A SUBGROUP CONCLUSION NOT APPLICABLE. IATA SUPPORTED SUBGROUP REPORT ON BASIS EXPERTS

ON GROUP HAD ARRIVED AT SOUND CONCLUSION. US PANEL MEMBER SUGGEST-ED THAT INTERFERENCE SUBGROUP MEMBERS BE BROUGHT TO MTG TO EXPLAIN. AFTER CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION WORDING PROPOSED BY UK ON ADJACENT CHANNEL MARGIN SUPERIORITY OF DMLS EVAPORATED AND PANEL SUSTAINED SUBGROUP FINDINGS. PANEL TOOK UP MLS SYSTEM GROWTH. US MEMBER PRESENTED PAPER WHICH CONCLUDED THAT TRSB HAS SUPERIOR GROWTH POTENTIAL IN SIGNAL FORMAT. AFTER HOUR LONG DISCUSSION WHICH INCLUDING 360 DEGREES CAPABILITY ON DMLS, TRSB AND DLS SYSTEMS. PANEL ACCEPTED VIEW THAT TRSB HAS GREATER GROWTH POTENTIAL WITHIN EXISTING SIGNAL FORMAT US PANEL MEMBER OBJECTED TO CHAIRMAN OFFERING UK OPPORTUNITY TO DELAY ACCEPTANCE OF VIEW AND TO DRAFT COUNTER-PROPOSAL OVERNIGHT IN DIRECT CONTRAST TO PREVIOUS TREATMENT OF TRSB. RESULT WORDING ACCEPTED IN FAVOR OF TRSB. OVERALL ASSESSMENT, PROCEEDINGS VERY DIFFICULT FOR TRSB BUT SOME POSITIVE POINTS ACHIEVED DESPITE CHAIRMAN. ERICKSEN

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